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# LILIES

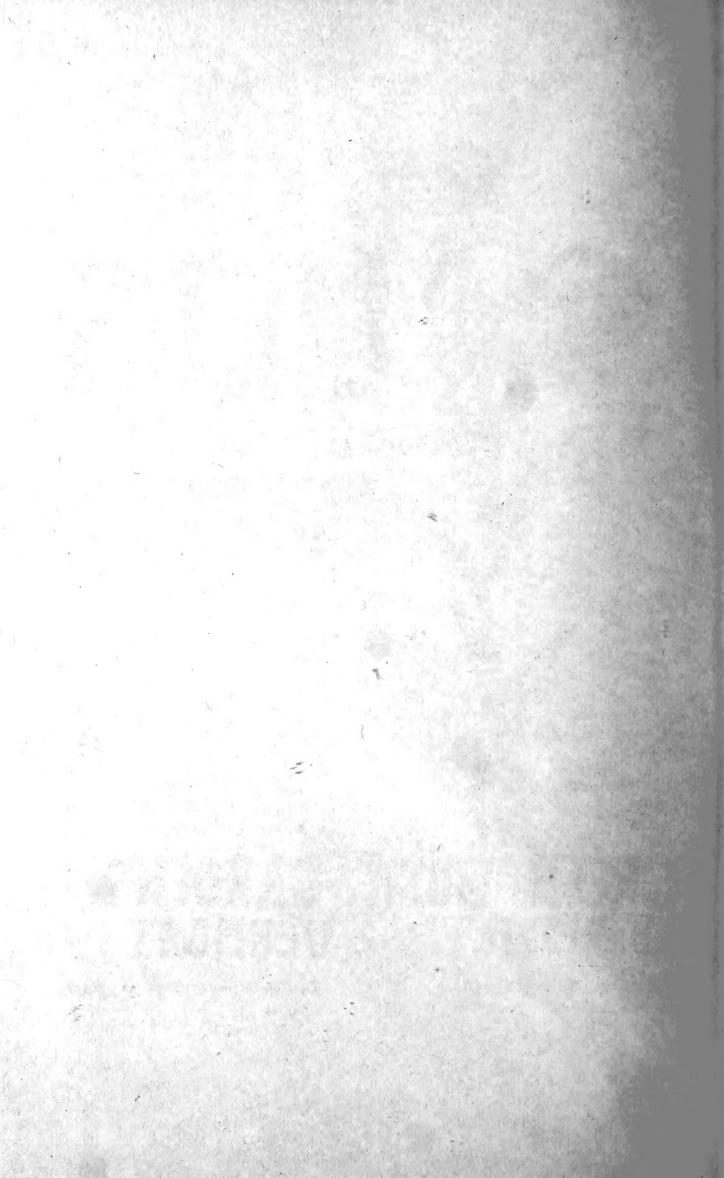
FOR HARDINESS 1950-51

CREEN BUSH CHARLOTTE,

William G. Horsford

BUSH CARDENS E, VERMONT.

Barbera B Horsford.



### A NOTE OF INTRODUCTION

This is the first of what we hope will be a long series of lily lists. We have been growing lilies for eighteen years for wholesale distribution. In the past few seasons we have had so many requests from gardeners that we have decided to offer you this retail list.

We offer you a long list of the well known lily varieties, along with some fine new varieties, many of which will soon over shadow the oldtimers. During the last few years there has been a tremendous number of new hybrids and they are now being produced in sufficient numbers to be offered for your garden. You will find these newcomers much lovelier and extremely hardy. Although they may not be reproduced from seed, you may find that by growing the seeds you will obtain many variations of the parent, some possibly even more effective.

At present we are growing about a hundred thousand lilies and expect to offer many new lilies, not yet included in our list, another year. If for any reason you do not receive the next list, please write for it.

The North American Lily Association has been formed whereby one can obtain complete lily history, culture, and a wealth of information as to what is being done with lilies. We encourage you to join this group and participate in the very interesting work, for it gives you the opportunity to share your experiences in lily culture with others, and to benefit from their work.

### TERMS OF SALE

We offer only stock of known quality. The majority of these bulbs have been grown here in Vermont or have been test grown here.

We will add to this list as stock is available.

In the event that any bulb is received in poor condition or is not true to name, a mutually satisfactory adjustment will be made, not to exceed the original cost of the order. We do not feel that we are responsible for winter loss or losses due to careless planting. A cultural planting guide will accompany each shipment.

We reserve the right to return any or all orders received if for reasons of weather, war or any other beyond our control.

All orders of \$5.00 or more will be sent without packing charge, and prepaid, either parcel post or express at our discretion.

All claims must be made within five days of receipt of stock.

We reserve the right to break shipments into as many lots as are necessary for the proper shipment of the late-maturing bulbs. This is in the best interests of the customer.

All bulbs are in what we consider the best flowering size.

### OUR OWN HYBRIDS

We have been hybridizing lilies for years, with thousands of bulbs in various stages under cultivation. Of these, we have selected a few that we feel should be introduced at this time.

L. Barbara was introduced by Alan and Esther Macneil of Sandyloam in 1948. The others are being offered for the first time this year. As stock is available and its quality proven, we will add to this list.

For those interested in stock for further research and breeding we have thousands of bulbs and will be glad to exchange information, pollen, bulbs, etc.

BARBARA - A hybrid seedling of L. Grace Marshall, having a pyramid head of blood red, outward facing flowers about six inches in diameter. Late June flowering. Two to three feet tall. Received the Award of Merit from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1946. \$3.00 each.

DAVIDII HYBRIDS - These are hybrids of many Davidii corsses which do not show other color. The deep orange red flowers, reflexed, are carried on vigorous stems which withstand wind and rain. Many pyramids of up to forty flowers are not unusual. Early July flowering. From two to six feet in height.

75¢ each - \$7.50 per dozen.

PINK SARGENTIAE SEEDLINGS - A cross of Pink Sargentiae with Pink Regale gave us a strain that warrants listing. The fragrant trumpets are a rose pink on the outside with the inside of the funnel ranging from light pink to white. They have held their color for several days in full sun. Culture identical to that of Regale. This was granted a Second Award among unnamed hybrids at the North American Lily Association's Annual Lily Show held this year in Buffalo, New York.

Limited quantity at \$3.00 each.

MOLLY STARK - A Grace Marshall hybrid selected for its unusual tangerine color, great vigor, hardiness and year after year reliability. The flowers are up to four inches in diameter, carried on long stems in a pyramid form. Grows up to four feet tall, flowering in early July. This lily received a Third Award at the Lily Association's Annual Show this year, competing in a class of outstanding unnamed hybrids of North America.

Limited stock at \$2.00 each

TERRESTRIAL HBYRIDS - These are the forerunners of a group of unusually lovely and different lilies which will be offered when we have a sufficient stock of each available. A cross between Edna Keen and Cernuum, having a great range of shapes and colors, ranging from flesh color to dark red. Flowers may be upright or outward facing. We could not name them all so you will receive a bulb unlike anything you have. We cannot, however, tell you which color or type you will receive.

Limited number at \$2.00 each.

- L. AMABILE A medium height Turk's cap lily. June flowering. Grenardine-red with black spots. Ideal for sun or partial shade. Very hardy. 35¢ each 5 for \$1.50
- L. AMABILE LUTEUM Similar to the above, except that it is a rare yellow with black spots. It is still rather rare and certain to be a lovely addition to your border. 60¢ each 3 for \$1.75
- L. AURATUM, or GOLD BANDED LILY An old introduction from the Orient, this is still considered one of the gems of the garden. A white lily, gold banded, flecked with tiny red spots, it is well worth planting although you may have it for only a year. We offer only imported bulbs of this lily and you may be as fortunate as we and have it grow for a number of years.

  65¢ each 3 for \$1.75
- L. BACKHOUSE HYBRIDS A group of L. Martagon X L. Hansonii hybrids originated and grown by the late Mrs. R. O. Backhouse in the 90's at Sutton Court, Hereford, England. These are an extremely hardy race of lilies, with colors from yellow to orange-brown, with spots of brown, purple or pink, and having many reflexed, Turk's cap flowers. A permanent and beautiful addition to your garden. They prefer shade and grow from three to five feet tall.
  - BROCADE Orange yellow with a pink cast, with maroon spots. \$3.00 each
  - MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE Has an ivory to soft orange interior with small purple or red spots. The tips of the inside of the flower are a straw yellow like the exterior. It has long been the best and most reliable of the group. \$3.50 each
- LILIUM CANADENSE A native of New England known as the Meadow Lily.

  Grows 3-7 feet tall. Drooping bell-shaped flowers of yellow or orange-red with large round black spots in the interior. Flowers late June or early July. Ideal for moist, lowland situations where other bulbs would be lost.

  Excellent for naturalizing. 35¢ each \$3.50 per dozen \$28.00 per hundred.
- L. CALLOSUM A slender August flowering, Turk's cap lily with dainty, soft brick red flowers. Grows up to 5 feet. An old introduction which has now become quite rare. 25¢ each \$1.50 for 5
- L. CANDIDUM, or MADONNA LILY A pure white lily which is so familiar to us that it needs little description and is a 'must' for perennial borders. Imported northern-grown bulbs which should be planted early to insure establishment before frost.

Selected - 60¢ each - \$6.00 for 10 Extra heavy- 90¢ each - \$9.00 for 10 Special stock-\$1.35 each -\$13.00 for 10 L. CENTIFOLIUM HYBRIDS - The true L. Centifolium that we once had is now long gone and only the hybrids are available. These are a wonderful group of trumpet lilies, having the characteristics of the original but with more vigor and variations. Some are green on the outside, others are chocolate brown, and the throat may be white or yellow. Very fragrant. Mid-July flowering. Average five feet in height.

75¢ each - \$7.50 per dozen

- L. CERNUUM A rare Korean lily, flowering in late June. Flowers are lilac or rosy pink. Similar to L. Tenuifolium in shape and growing conditions. Rare but extremely hardy. A delicately beautiful addition to your garden.

  90¢ each \$9.00 per dozen
- L. CONCOLOR A star shaped, upright flowering lily of bright scarlet color. Grows up to two feet tall, with several blossoms in mid June. Hardy and long lasting, a good companion for L. Tenuifolium in the border.

  30¢ each \$3.00 per dozen
- L. DALHANSONII A hybrid of L. Martagon X L. Hansonii having the dark mahogany color from the dark Martagon parentage, flecked with light yellow or gold, with the foliage and hardiness of the Hansonii. Extremely rare companion to the Backhouse group.

\$4.00 each

L. DAURICUM HYBRIDS - Our earliest flowering lily. Cup shaped blooms, upright flowering, ranging from light pinkish orange to yellow with brown spots. Grows 1-2 feet and flowers in early May.

25¢ each - \$2.50 per dozen

- L. DUNKIRK One of Dr. F. L. Skinner's outstanding, blood red hybrids. Grows four to five feet tall with a number of outward facing large flowers. Blooms from late June to mid July. Awarded a First Class Certificate by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1947. Limited supply. \$3.00 each
- L. GREEN MOUNTAIN HYBRIDS A strain of white trumpet lilies which are hybrids of Centifolium, Creelman, Princeps, etc., originated by the late L. H. Abel of White Plains, New York, having the characteristics of all the parents and a great range of variations in size and flowering time. Midsummer flowering. Limited supply.

75¢ each

- L. GUINEA GOLD Another of Dr. Skinner's introductions of Martagon hybrid origin. Pink buds with a yellow throat spotted with brown. Grows to three feet. June flowering. \$3.00 each
- L. HANSONII One of the parents of a large group of hybrids, this lily is one of the best in itself and makes a wonderful subject for mass planting. Permanent and easy to grow, its Martagon shaped blooms are of orange cadmium yellow, spotted with brown. Will draw endless comment. Grows up to six feet in sun but prefers light shade. Mid June.

\$1.20 each

- L. HENRYI A chinese lily well known to most gardeners, growing up to eight feet, bearing deep orange-yellow flowers with up to twenty blooms on each spike. Sometimes known as the Orange Speciosum. Flowers in mid August until September. As hardy as Regale and a good companion.

  75¢ each \$7.50 per dozen
- L. HENRYI CITRINUM A rare yellow form of the above that all lily connoisseurs will confirm as being one of the best. We have grown this lily for years and find it most reliable.

Choice bulbs - \$10.00 each Flowering size-\$ 6.00 each

- MARGARET JOHNSON A Skinner hybrid of L. Dauricum X Tigrinum having the characteristics of both. Soft flame-red spotted with deep purple. Outward and upward facing. About four feet in height, blooming in late July.

  \$1.50 each
- L. MARHAN Another Martagon hybrid. Creamy orange petals with brownish red spots. Introduced in 1891, it is still very rare but one of the most popular lilies. \$3.50 each
- L. MARTAGON The Turk's cap lily of Europe. An old lily offered in this country in the early 1800's. Colors range from light pink to purple, having up to thirty flowers and from one to four feet in height. Although somewhat difficult to establish, once you are successful these are a permanent addition. June flowering. \$1.20 each
- L. MARTAGON ALBA A pure white form of the above, with fragrant delicate flowers in June. This is an excellent cut flower. \$1.25 each
- L. PHILADELPHICUM A native lily with orange scarlet upright flowers. Prefers light sandy soil and partial shade, growing to two feet and flowering in late June. An excellent subject for planting with evergreens.

  30¢ each \$3.00 per dozen
- L. PRESTON HYBRIDS Miss Isabella Preston of Canada introduced a number of fine hybrids a few years ago. These have proved to be one of the finest races of hybrids yet originated. From these many new hybrids are being introduced which could never have been produced without Miss Preston's outstanding work.

CORONATION - A lovely pale yellow lily with brown spots, growing to three feet. Stem carries up to twenty flowers. Late June. Very hardy. \$2.75 each

BRENDA WATTS - A soft orange red variety of unusual vigor, carrying up to twenty flowers and growing to five feet. Ideal for mass planting because of its lasting ability. Late June and July flowering.

\$1.50 each

### L. PRESTON HYBRIDS (continued)

EDNA KEEN - Similar to Brenda Watts except of a cherry red color and a little less height. A parent of a new race of wonderful hybrids that we will soon introduce to gardeners.

\$1.50 each

GRACE MARSHALL - A grenardine red or scarlet variety having up to twenty - five flowers. Grows up to five feet tall. A reliable form which is a parent of our new L. Barbara.

\$1.50 each

L. PRIDE OF CHARLOTTE - A Sargentiae sport of great merit. A glorious trumpet lily having a chocolate brown or pink outside and pure white throat with the fragrance of Regale. A late July flowering variety, it usually escapes early frosts which sometime destroy flower buds of earlier blooming lilies. It produces bulbil and is therefore very easy to propagate.

60¢ each - \$5.50 per dozen

L. QUEEN CHARLOTTE - A Davidii hybrid much like the type introduced about twenty years ago. Has up to ten wooly buds per stem and grows with a very rigid stalk up to eight feet. Flowers slightly larger and about two weeks later than Davidii.

A few select bulbs at 50¢ each.

SARGENTIAE HYBRIDS - A hybrid trumpet lily much like Regale but having a smaller funnel, the flowers not recurving as much. The outside is a deep reddish pink, the inside a creamy white. The stalk is bulbil bearing for easy propagation. Very fragrant. Flowers in late July or August. Two to four feet in height.

50¢ each - \$5.00 per dozen

SCOTTIAE - A Skinner hybrid of many awards. Bright outward facing flowers on a stem up to thirty inches hight together with a waxy texture are outstanding. A frequent second flower bud on most stems extends the flowering period. Late June flowering.

75¢ each

SCOTTIAE SELECT - A dark form of the above which is even more robust. Bright red with dark spots and having the many flower bud characteristic. Limited supply.

\$1.00 each.

SHELBURNE HYBRID - A Sargentiae X Regale hybrid well known for its vigor, having the best qualities of both parents. More like Regale in habits and form but flowering in July and August.

40¢ each - \$4.00 per dozen.

SPECIOSUM RUBRUM - An imported Japanese lily of great beauty. White flower flushed with deep rose or crimson, heavily spotted with crimson. Bears up to twenty fragrant flowers on stalks up to three feet tall or more. July and August flowering, sometimes into September. While hard to establish it is very hardy.

75¢ each - \$7.50 per dogen.

SUPERBUM - A native Turk's cap lily of great favor. Its pendulant blooms of orange red are carried on stalks growing up to twelve feet in ideal conditions, which are moist humus in shade where it may grow up through to sunlight. Flowers in July and is recommended for naturalizing.

35¢ each - \$3.50 per dozen

THE DUCHESS - Dr. F. L. Skinner is well known for his lily hybridizing skill and this is another outstanding contribution. This Amabile cross has flowers of saffron yellow heavily spotted with brown. Individual flowers have a spread of five to six inches. Grows up to thirty inches and flowers from early to mid June.

\$3.00 each

TENUIFOLIUM - CORAL LILY - A brilliant scarlet Turk's cap lily. An ideal subject for border or rock garden, loving rocky soil and sunshine. Easily grown from seed. Has delicate graceful foliage. Because of its very early flowering period, late May and early June, it should be in every garden. Twelve to eighteen inches tall.

20¢ each - \$2.00 per dozen

TENUIFOLIUM GOLDEN GLEAM - A golden orange form of the above which makes a very interesting contrast. Similar to type in all respects.

20¢ each - \$2.00 per dozen

TENUIFOLIUM RED STAR - A star-shaped scarlet form of the type having longer and broader petals and is more dwarf in form. Flowers a week later than Tenuifolium. Rare.

40¢ each - \$4.00 per dozen

TIGRINUM - TIGER LILY - Well known mid August flowering lily seen on abandoned farms, roadsides and in most gardens. Will grow under any conditions except excess moisture and increases due to its bulbil characteristic. We have a very healthy form which grows up to four feet. Fine for naturalizing.

20¢ each - \$2.00 per dozen - \$20.00 per hundred

TSINGTAUENSE - Somewhat like Concolor in color but having an upright waxy flower that will arrest attention anywhere. Foliage and habit similar to Hansonii. Grows to three feet and flowers late June or early July. Very rare. \$2.00 each

UMBELLATUM WEST BURKE - A strain of Umbellatum discovered by the late Cyrus Pringle Horsford, of outstanding vigor. Its cup shaped blooms of deep red are carried on stems up to two and a half feet tall in early June. Its wooly buds are a dark red. Likes both open sun and shade. Rare.

UMBELLATUM HELEN CARROLL -- An Umbellatum hybrid of unspotted Chinese yellow flowers up to eight inches in diameter introduced by Dr. Skinner. Grows about a foot high, flowering in early July. Very hardy and still rare. \$3.00 each.

DELPHINIUM HYBRIDS -- These lovely Pacific Hybrids are the perfect garden companion to lilies. They are especially effective when used as a background for the Madonna Lily (L. Candidum) or the Regale Lily. Field grown.

65¢ each - \$6.00 per dozen

AUTUMN FLOWERING CROCUS - Plant for blossoms from September through November. Grow 5-7 inches. Plant in perennial border, rock garden, in shade where grass does not grow, woodland gardens, or in large groups in grass. Special mixture of five varieties.

\$1.00 dozen - 50 for \$3.00 - 100 for \$5.00

### FERNS

For that moist, shady place in your garden - 6 each of the following:

Maidenhair Fern Crested Wood Fern Christmas Fern Toothed Wood Fern Evergreen Wood Fern Flowering Fern Lady Fern Cinnamon Fern

Narrow Spleenwort

54 Ferns for \$10.00

Some ferns to grow in that difficult situation in dry shade - 6 each of the following:

Hay Scented Fern Christmas Fern Evergreen Wood Fern Interrupted Fern

24 Ferns for \$6.50

NOTE - All ferns will be sent Express Collect.

Each variety is separately wrapped and labelled.

For the convenience of our customers we offer the following lilies from Mr. Jan De Graff of the Oregon Bulb Farms. We do not describe them for we feel that these lovely lilies are already well known to the gardener. If you are interested in any particular one but not familiar with its habit, we will be pleased to send you a description.

FIESTA HYBRIDS (r)	Each \$1.00	3 Bulbs \$2.50	12 Bulbs \$10.00
GOLDEN CHALICE HYBRIDS (r)	1.00	2.50	10.00
RAINBOW HYBRIDS -  "FLAMINGO"  "MANDARIN"  "RADIANCE"  "TANGERINE"  Mixed - all colors	2.00 6.00 4.00 6.00	2.25	8.00

MID-CENTURY HYBRIDS - Hybrids between Tiger and Candlestick Lilies.

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"PAGODA"	3.00

MID-CENTURY MIXED	2.00	5.00	18.00

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